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CONTRACT TO BUILD PLEASANT SHADE ROAD AWARDED

The contract to build a road, leading around two fords between the residences of Esq. D. D. Martin and Henry Beasley, near Pleasant Shade has been awarded to Butler & Slavin of Jackson County. The county appropriated \$500 for this purpose and citizens of the county donated \$1000. The work will begin about the first of August, and when finished, will eliminate two of the most dangerous fords on Peyton's Creek, besides adding greatly to the convenience of the traveling public.

JOHNNIE HESSON RESIGNS TO ENTER MERCANTILE FIELD

After some eleven years faithful service as rural mail carrier out of Pleasant Shade, Johnnie Hesson has resigned his position, and will enter the mercantile business. Lum Russell has been appointed special carrier and is now in charge of the route.

The building directly north of the Pleasant Shade Bank will be used for this business, and Hesson, Jenkins & Co. will comprise the firm. Mr. Hesson will be in active charge of the business and it is predicted that they will share a liberal patronage. It will be some time yet before the firm will be open, inasmuch as they expect to remodel the building.

Good Coat Found

On the public road between the mouth of Caney Fork and Elmwood. Any one losing same can secure it by calling at the Courier office and giving proper description and paying for this ad.

I. D. BEASLEY CHALLENGES OPPONENTS FOR DEBATE

I wish to take this method of formally proposing to my competitors, Messrs. Key and Wilson, that in our candidacy for Representative, we agree upon a list of speaking appointments. If this proposal meets their favorable consideration, I am ready to meet them at their appointed time and place to arrange all further details.

Very respectfully,
I. D. Beasley.

W. C. Capleanor.

W. C. Capleanor, one of Smith county's oldest and best citizens, died at his home in the Twelfth district last Friday after an illness of only a few days. Mr. Capleanor was about 75 years of age and served in the Confederate army during the civil war. He was a very industrious man and a successful farmer, leaving a handsome estate. He is survived by his wife, a little grandson and one daughter, Mrs. Andrew Ward.

HORSE INSURANCE. Something new; every horse owner wants it; big field, quick money, permanent. Western Live Stock Insurance Co., Fulton Street, Peoria, Illinois.

John Hopkins of Bowling's Branch spent the day Monday with his sister, Mrs. Sarah Apple.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lawhorn have returned to Carthage after an eight months' stay at Lebanon. Their friends will be glad to know that Mrs. Lawhorn has recovered a mental disorder which lasted her some three months. However she did not regain possession of all her mental faculties until she underwent a treatment at Nashville.

Dewitt Fisher is in Nashville as the guest of relatives.

Trial Set For Saturday.

The trial of Elston Gregory for the shooting of Will Hooper recently near Pleasant Shade will come up for hearing Saturday, June 24, at Pleasant Shade before Esq. J. A. Sanderson.

L. A. Ligon and J. R. Curtis are at Ovoca this week attending the grand lodge of Knights of Pythias.

Mrs. Mary Reece

Mrs. Mary Reece, aged about 65 years, died Monday, June 19, 1916, at her home on Defeated Creek. The remains were laid to rest the following day at the family grave yard. A husband and several children survive her.

T. L. Wilkerson of Brush Creek Route was in Carthage first of the week.

Hill Re-Elected Chairman.

H. B. McGinness of this city was in Nashville first of the week attending a meeting of the new state democratic executive committee. The committee, which was selected by the recent state democratic convention, was organized by re-electing L. D. Hill of Sparta as chairman.

Miss Allie Mai McGinness is visiting at Livingston.

To the people of Smith County:

Inasmuch as a just regard for the wishes of the people I hope to serve in the next Senate demands that they should know my attitude on such questions as are now issues, I take this method of briefly and plainly outlining the course I expect to pursue:

PROHIBITION.

I will favor any measure looking to the advancement of the cause of Prohibition; both for the state and nation, and will support such legislation as may be necessary to secure the enforcement of the laws of our state.

AGRICULTURE.

I pledge myself to support all the measures having for their object the betterment of the farming interests of our county, and I shall give to this question the same consideration I have heretofore given, trusting that such experience as I may have gained from my past service will aid me to more advantageously represent the farmers of the state.

SUFFRAGE.

Believing that the women of our country are as deserving of consideration at the hands of our government as any one, I favor the extension of the franchise to them on the same terms as to the men.

FREE PASSES.

I am opposed to the issuance of free passes by large corporations to any person, where such action would be calculated to influence such person to the detriment of the interests of the people.

EXPENDITURES.

Owing to the unsettled condition of the financial affairs of the country, I will oppose any measure looking to the increase of the expenditures of the county or the salaries of its officials.

ROADS.

I will favor any measure for the improvement of our roads, provided such improvement is produced by a system insuring to each district a just and equitable return for the amount expended, and will use my best efforts toward securing federal aid in building our roads.

BOND ISSUE.

After four long years, and three decisive elections, my opponent suddenly discovers that he is opposed to bond issue and promises to repeal the enabling act. If it takes him as long to repeal it as it took him to find out that he wanted it repealed we would have ample time to build a boulevard from Carthage to the land farm of Canaan, and judging the future by the past, century plants could be blooming by the roadside before he would be competent to interpret the wishes of the people. It is a matter of common knowledge that I have actively opposed the bond issue in every election, and introduced and passed in the senate five separate bills, each of which would have effectively repealed the enabling act, had it been possible to have passed them in the house, and inasmuch as that question has already been decently buried I am unwilling for its decaying remains to be used as a cloak to cover up the teacher's mysterious movements.

School Directors.

I am advised that a measure is being prepared looking to the establishing of a central board of school directors and doing away with our present system of district directors. I will oppose this measure, as I do not believe that the centralization of this power will be any improvement on our present system under which our schools are being directed by district men, who in most cases are patrons of the schools and are more intensely interested in the welfare of their schools, than any foreign director could be, while the schools get the benefit of such salaries as this central board would draw.

Common Schools.

I believe that Smith County owes to every boy and girl within her borders a chance to secure a common school education, and I will favor any legislation looking to their interest, and will oppose any measure calculated to limit the grades to be taught in such schools.

High Schools.

I believe the people who produce the funds to be used in the support of the high schools should decide the high school question, and I will oppose any legislation on this subject that does not provide for an expression of the wishes of the people.

Party Alignment.

I have always voted the democratic ticket, and whatever activities I have heretofore shown in support of the principles and nominees of that party, have been "a labor of love", and I expect to continue as loyal in the future as I have been in the past.

If these pronouncements meet your approval, if you consider me worthy of the honor of transmitting your wishes to the next Senate, I trust I may have your support in the August primary.

With best wishes, I am, Respectfully Your Friend,
ERNEST C. SMITH.

SUCCESSFUL REVIVAL IN PROGRESS AT BAPTIST CHURCH

A successful revival is in progress at the local Baptist church, conducted by Rev. R. S. Gavin of Corinth, Miss. From the start, large congregations have attended and Rev. Gavin holds their close attention with his strong appeals. He presents his subjects in a forceful and convincing manner, using practical, everyday illustrations to make his arguments clear, and the entire series has been interesting and instructive. As a result of his preaching, a number have joined the church, some of whom will be baptized next Sunday at 4 o'clock at the Town Spring on Back street. The meeting will close tonight.

A. R. CARTER SELLS PROPERTY AT PLEASANT SHADE, TENN.

A. R. Carter, who is prominently connected with the Upper Cumberland Loose Leaf Tobacco Warehouse Co., at this place, has sold his property at Pleasant Shade to Mr. O. W. Stephens. Mr. Carter has bought a site in Carthage and will erect a residence on it and move his family here. We welcome Mr. Carter and his family to this city.

Preaching Announcement

Rev. G. E. McGee of Gallatin will fill the pulpit for E. W. Chambers at Monville Saturday night and Sunday. Everybody cordially invited to attend.
E. W. Chambers.

Big Baseball Game.

The managers of the Carthage baseball organization are making preparations for a big baseball game to be played in Carthage Tuesday, July 4th. A game has been scheduled between the strong team of the T. O. railroad and a picked team from Carthage and Smith county. The T. O. team is considered one of the strongest amateur teams in the state, their pitcher being Rube Marshall, of league baseball fame. In the Carthage lineup will be found some of the very classiest college players, and as the Carthage or the T. O. teams have never tasted defeat this year is an assurance that it is going to be nothing less than a professional game. In addition to the ball game it has been arranged to have brass band concerts in the court house yard during the day, and everybody is invited to spend the 4th of July in Carthage. The day will be filled with mirth and music.

The game for Saturday of this week with Buffalo Valley should likewise be a good one. They will bring along Lonnie and Lillard Jones, who are well known to the Carthage fans.

Failed To Compromise Suit.

Attorney S. H. Walker of Lebanon was here Saturday on legal business. He was endeavoring to compromise a suit between Leedie Rollins vs. George Tribble. Quite a number of lawyers were interested in the case, and Mr. Walker failed to get the matter compromised, and the trial will come up for hearing at the special term of Chancery court which will be held June 27th, next. It involves the sale of a tract of land in Wilson county, and some \$1500 worth of personal property belonging to the deceased wife of Mr. Tribble.

N. B. Rollins of Brush Creek Route and Fate Rollins of New Middleton are in Carthage today on business.

CANDIDATES FOR VARIOUS OFFICES GETTING BUSY

The people of the county are now being visited by the candidates for the various offices. On the first Thursday in August there will be two elections held, the regular and the primary. In the regular election are the nominees for the county offices which were selected in the democratic primary last fall. They are as follows: B. M. Dean of Carthage sheriff; J. S. Thomas of New Middleton, trustee; and D. K. Reeves of New Middleton tax assessor. There is no indication that any of the nominees will be opposed by republican candidates.

For the convenience of the voters and to avoid so many election dates the county democratic executive committee fixed August the 3rd, the date of the regular election, as the time to hold the democratic primary for the purpose of nominating candidates for state senator and representative in the lower house of the legislature. The time limit for candidates to qualify in the democratic primary was up several days ago and now five candidates are in the field: E. C. Smith of New Middleton and L. B. Mathews of Carthage for state senator, and H. T. Key of Monville, I. D. Beasley of Riddleton and W. O. Wilson of Rock City for representative. The candidates in the primary have already become active in their campaigns and are now busy putting their claims before the people.

In the primary election to be held on the above date the democrats will also vote for a nominee as congress for this, the Fourth congressional district. There were two who qualified to enter the race, Cordell Hull of Carthage, who is asking for re-election, and N. G. Robertson of Lebanon. However, Mr. Robertson has made no formal announcement of his entering the race, and there is some speculation as to whether or not he will oppose Judge Hull, who has so ably represented this district in congress during the past few years.

Walter Stone For Sheriff.

Walter Stone of Jacksboro, formerly of this place and a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Stone, is making a race for sheriff of Campbell county. Mr. Stone has been in Campbell county some four years and reports are that he has a good chance to win.

Mr. Stone's brother, Hershall Stone, and sister, Miss Allie Stone, of this place, and his sister-in-law, Miss Viriah Duke, of Defeated, left Carthage Tuesday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Stone.

Buys Full-Blooded Polled Durham.

Esq. G. W. Goad and W. J. McDuffee, two prominent men of Pleasant Shade, passed through Carthage Saturday enroute from Hickman. While in Hickman, these gentlemen visited Cloverdale Stock Farm, owned by Esq. L. H. Gwaltney, and bought a splendid young Polled Durham bull, paying more than half hundred for him. In speaking of Esq. Gwaltney's herd, Goad said that he had never seen finer cattle and that they were specially pleased with their purchase.

Tax Assessor D. K. Reeves, J. S. Marks, C. H. Mathews, C. E. Yancy, W. H. Petross and W. J. Barbee are here this week serving on the equalization board.